

Our Saviour's Lutheran Church

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*Bringing Christ to the
people and the
people to Christ.*

We are a community of faith,
formed in the grace and
joy of Jesus Christ.

We are a people involved in
God's sure and unfolding
promise to mend His
creation through the life,
death and resurrection of
His Son, and in the power
of the Holy Spirit.

We are a church under the
cross of Christ, shaped by
the ancient rhythms of
Christian worship,
fellowship, and
service to others.

Come share the joy!

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Today we celebrate the Festival of Pentecost. In pouring out His Spirit on the disciples, Jesus is fulfilling the promise signified by this Festival. In ancient times, God's people offered Him the first fruits of their livelihood. But now God offers to His Church the first-fruits of the Spirit. Rather than the first-fruits of the earth being lifted to heaven, the first-fruits of heaven are rained down on the earth.



I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

What does this mean?

I believe that I cannot by my own reason or strength believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to Him; but instead the Holy Spirit has called me through the gospel, enlightened me with his gifts, made me holy and kept me in the true faith, just as he calls, gathers, enlightens, and makes holy the whole Christian church on earth and keeps it with Christ in the one common true faith. Daily in this Christian church the Holy Spirit abundantly forgives all sins – mine and those of all believers. On the last day the Holy Spirit will raise me and all the dead and will give me and all believers eternal life. This is most certainly true.

Martin Luther, *Explanation of the Third Article of the Creed*

FESTIVAL OF PENTECOST (YEAR A)

MAY 28, 2023 • 10:00 A.M.



Our Members, Guests and Visitors

We are all on a journey of faith; God does not expect us to make the journey alone.

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Our Office Hours are Monday through Thursday, 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.

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Prelude - Dr. Jaeyong Lee

Please use this time for silent meditation to prepare your heart for worship

Welcome to Our Saviour's

- Welcome! Whether you are a longtime member or visiting for the first time, you are a gift from God to us. Guests, so that we may all celebrate your presence and give thanks to God for you, please fill out the yellow card on the back of your pew and place it in the offering plate later in the service. May the love of Christ comfort you, and the love of His people encourage you!
- All who are baptized and desire to share in the Body and Blood of our Lord are welcome to receive Communion.

Please stand (in body or in spirit)

PROCESSIONAL HYMN ~ "SPIRIT, SPIRIT OF GENTLENESS" (WOV #684) Vs. 1&2

Chorus:

*Spirit, Spirit of gentleness,
Blow through the wilderness calling and free;
Spirit, Spirit of restlessness,
Stir me from placidness, wind,
Wind on the sea.*

You moved on the waters,
You called to the deep,
Then you coaxed up the mountains
From the valleys of sleep;
And over the eons
You called to each thing:

Awake from your slumbers
And rise on your wings.

Chorus

You swept through the desert,
You stung with the sand
And you goaded your people
With a law and a land;
And when they were blinded
With idols and lies,
Then you spoke through your prophets
To open their eyes.

Chorus

WORDS OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

As the Pastor says the Invocation, the Sign of the Cross ✠ may be made in remembrance of our Baptisms.

- P** In the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **C Amen**
- P** Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **C Amen**
- P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

- P** Most merciful God,
- C** **We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen**
- P** Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen**

GREETING

- P** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **C And also with you.**

KYRIE

- A** In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **C Lord, have mercy.**
- A** For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.**
- A** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord. **C Lord, have mercy.**
- A** For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord. **C Lord, have mercy.**
- A** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. **C Amen**

HYMN OF PRAISE ~ "WORTHY IS CHRIST" (LBW P. 81-82)

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia. Sing with all the people of God and join in the hymn of all creation:

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. Blessing and honor and glory and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen

Power and riches and wisdom and strength and honor and blessing and glory are His. This is the feast of victory for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

^P The Lord be with you. ^C **And also with you.**

^P God of life, on this day you poured forth upon your church your Spirit, through whom we are one body, the body of Christ. Unite us at your table that we may be poured forth into the world, bearing witness to your grace and mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. ^C **Amen**

Please be seated

The Service Of The Word

FIRST READING ~ Numbers 11:24-30

^R This is the Word of the Lord! ^C **Thanks be to God!**

PSALMODY ~ PSALM 25:1-7

^R ¹To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul; my God, I put my trust in you; let me not be humiliated, nor let my enemies triumph over me.

^C ²**Let none who look to you be put to shame; let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.**

^R ³Show me your ways, O LORD, and teach me your paths.

^C ⁴**Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.**

R ⁵Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love, for they are from everlasting.

C ⁶**Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; remember me according to your love and for the sake of your goodness, O LORD.**

R ⁷Gracious and upright is the LORD; therefore he teaches sinners in his way.

SECOND READING ~ ACTS 2:1-4

R This is the Word of the Lord! C **Thanks be to God!**

Children's Song ~ "I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"

I have decided to follow Jesus;
I have decided to follow Jesus;
I have decided to follow Jesus;
No turning back, no turning back.

Feeding our Little Lambs

Please stand (in body or in spirit)

GOSPEL CANTICLE ~ "THY WORD"

**Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.
Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.
Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.
... and a light unto my path.**

THE HOLY GOSPEL

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John the 7th Chapter. C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

John 7:37-39

P The Gospel of the Lord. C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Please be seated

SERMON ~ PASTOR MARTIN MOORE

God Is Closer Than You Think

"God does not give a Gift inferior to Himself." -St. Augustine

"I shall ask the Father, and he will give you another Paraclete to be with you for ever, the Spirit of truth... he is in you. I shall not leave you orphans; I shall come to you."

-John 14:16-18

Please stand (in body or in spirit)

Hymn Of The Day ~ "Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness" (WOV #684) Vs. 3&4

Chorus:

*Spirit, Spirit of gentleness,
Blow through the wilderness calling
and free;*

*Spirit, Spirit of restlessness,
Stir me from placidness, wind,
Wind on the sea.*

You sang in a stable,
You cried from a hill,
Then you whispered in silence
When the whole world was still;
And down in the city you called
once again,

When you blew through your people
On the rush of the wind.

Chorus

You call from tomorrow,
You break ancient schemes.
From the bondage of sorrow
All the captives dream dreams;
Our women see visions,
Our men clear their eyes.
With bold new decisions
Your people arise.

Chorus

THE APOSTLES CREED

I BELIEVE in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I BELIEVE in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day He rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I BELIEVE in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

P Confident in God's steadfast love through Jesus Christ and guided by the Holy Spirit, let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

After each portion of the prayers the congregation responds.. Hear our prayer.

P Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **C Amen**

Please be seated

OFFERING & OFFERTORY MUSIC

Please stand (in body or in spirit)

THE DOXOLOGY~ "I OFFER MY LIFE"

All that I am, all that I have
I lay them down before You, O Lord;
All of my hopes, all of my plans,
my heart and my hands are lifted to You.

Chorus:

*Lord, I offer my life to You,
everything I've been through,
use it for Your glory,
Lord, I offer my days to You,
lifting my praise to You*

*as a pleasing sacrifice,
Lord, I offer You my life.*

What can we give that You have not
given;

And what do we have that is not
already Yours?

All we possess are these lives we're
living,

And that's what we give to You, Lord.

Chorus

Post Offertory Prayer

^P Let us pray. Merciful Father, ^C **We offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us – our vocations, our time, our possessions – signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

Please remain standing

The Holy Meal

PASSING OF THE PEACE

^P The peace of the Lord be with you always. ^C **And also with you.**

(At this time, we invite you to share the peace of the Lord with your neighbors)

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING ~ P. 88 LBW

^P The Lord be with you.

^C **And also with you.**

^P Lift up your hearts.

^C **We lift them up to the Lord.**

^P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. ^C **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

^P It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord; who rose beyond the bounds of death and, on this day, as he had promised, poured out your Spirit of life and power upon the chosen disciples. At this the whole earth exults in boundless joy. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS

C Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might: Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P In the night in which He was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks, broke it, and gave it to His disciples, saying: *Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.*

P Again, after supper, He took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: *This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.*

P Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

C Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen

LAMB OF GOD ~ P. 92 LBW

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

Please be seated

DISTRIBUTION

COMMUNION HYMNS:

"AMAZING GRACE (MY CHAINS ARE GONE)"

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound	The hour I first believed.
That saved a wretch like me.	My chains are gone, I've been set free!
I once was lost, but now I'm found,	My God, my Savior, has ransomed me.
Was blind, but now I see.	And like a flood, His mercy rains
	Unending love amazing grace.
'Twas grace that taught my heart to	
fear,	The Lord has promised good to me;
And grace my fears relieved.	His word my hope secures.
How precious did that grace appear	He will my shield and portion be

As long as life endures.
My chains are gone, I've been set free!
My God, my Savior, has ransomed me.
And like a flood, His mercy rains
Unending love amazing grace.

My chains are gone, I've been set free!
My God, my Savior, has ransomed me.
And like a flood, His mercy rains

Unending love amazing grace.
The earth shall soon dissolve like snow;
The sun forbear to shine.
But God, who called me here below,
Will be forever mine,
Will be forever mine,

“THIS JOYFUL EASTERTIDE” (WOV #676)

This joyful Eastertide,
Away with sin and sorrow!
My love, the Crucified,
Has sprung to life this morrow.

Refrain:

*Had Christ, who once was slain,
not burst his three-day prison,
Our faith had been in vain.
But now has Christ arisen,
arisen, arisen, arisen.*

My flesh in hope shall rest
And for a season slumber
Till trump from east to west
Shall wake the dead in number.

Refrain

Death's flood has lost its chill
Since Jesus crossed the river;
Lover of souls, from ill
My passing soul deliver.

Refrain

“IN CHRIST ALONE”

In Christ alone my hope is found,
He is my light, my strength, my song.
This Cornerstone, this solid Ground,
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace;
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease.
My Comforter, my All-in-all;
Here in the love of Christ I stand.

There in the ground His body lay,
Light of the world by darkness slain.
Then bursting forth in glorious Day,
Up from the grave He rose again.
And as He stands in victory

Sin's curse has lost its grip on me;
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of
Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death,
This is the power of Christ in me.
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny.
No power of hell, no scheme of man,
Can ever pluck me from His hand.
'Till He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

“JESUS, REMEMBER ME” (WOV #740)

Jesus, remember me
When you come into your kingdom.
Jesus, remember me
When you come into your kingdom.

COMMUNION BLESSING

^P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. ^C **Amen**

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE

“SONG OF SIMEON”

Now, Lord, you let your servant go in peace,
Your word has been fulfilled.
My own eyes have seen the Salvation,
Which you have prepared in the sight of every people.
A light to reveal you to the Nations,
And the glory of your people, Israel.
Now, Lord, you let your servant go in peace.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

^P Pour out upon us the spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of those whom you have fed with one heavenly food; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ^C **Amen**

BENEDICTION ~P. 95 LBW

^P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. In the name of the Father, ✠ Son, and Holy Spirit. ^C **Amen**

CLOSING HYMN ~ “BREATHE ON ME, BREATH OF GOD” (LBW #488)

Breathe on me, breath of God;	Until with you I will one will
Fill me with life anew,	To do and to endure.
That I may love all that you love	Breathe on me, Breath of God;
And do what you would do.	So shall I never die,
Breathe on me, breath of God,	But live with you the perfect life
Until my heart is pure,	Of your eternity.

DISMISSAL

P Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **C** **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Save the Dates

OSLC VBS: June 26th-30th

NALC Lutheran Week: August 7-11 (Oklahoma City)

OSLC Oktoberfest: October 14th



Birthday Celebration!

Come join our celebration of Marlen Curry's 90th Birthday next Sunday, June 4th. Cake and coffee will be served after the church service.

Our Worship Servants This Morning:

Greeter:	Gloria Bielfeldt
Acolyte:	Jonah Rhodes
Ushers:	John Minster & Max Lewis
Cantor:	Blaine Davis
Reader:	Roger Stai
Communion Assistants:	Dee Miles, Becky Chambers & Jan Moch
Projectionist:	Toby Fite

Upcoming Activities at OSLC (May 29th - June 4th)

Monday:	Memorial Day!	
Tuesday:	Quilters	9:00 a.m.
Thursday:	CODA	6:00 p.m.
Saturday:	Altar Guild Team #1	
Sunday:	Choir	9:15 a.m.
	Worship	10:00 a.m.
	Marlen Curry's B-Day	11:30 a.m.

Stewardship

Attendance

Average Monthly Expenses:	\$ 25,245
Previous May Offerings:	\$ 12,767
Offerings on May 21st:	\$ 3,420
Other Weekly Offerings:	<u>\$ 1,340</u>
Total Weekly Offerings:	\$ 4,760
Total May Offerings to Date:	\$ 17,527
2023 Offering to Date:	\$131,171

Sunday, May 21, 2023:	91
2023 Average Attendance:	111